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January 22, 2014

Regional Freedom of Information Officer
U.S. EPS, Region 6
(6MD-OE)
1445 Ross Avenue
Dallas, TX 75202-2733

RE: FREEDOM OF INFORMATION ACT REQUEST

Project Name: Tar Creek Super Fund Site
(Remediation Project)
Location: Ottawa County, OK
Contract Number: Unknown
TCLG Case No.: OKC-17

Dear FOIA Officer:

Torres Consulting and Law Group, LLC (TCLG) submits this FOIA request on behalf of the Oklahoma Building and Construction Trades Council, a recognized 501(c)(5) non-profit organization. Accordingly, we respectfully request a waiver of all search, printing, and duplication costs (please see attached fee waiver justification). A fee waiver is appropriate when disclosing the information requested “is in the public interest because it is likely to contribute significantly to public understanding of the operations of the government and is not primarily in the commercial interest of the requester” (5 U.S.C. § 552(a)(4)(a)(iii)).

To achieve the goals promulgated under the Davis-Bacon and Related Acts (DBRA), an analysis of the pertinent project information, including contract information and certified payrolls, is performed to ensure that compliance with DBRA is mandated and enforced.

We formally request the following information for the above-referenced project:

- ☒ 1. NTP – Notice to Proceed or estimated start date;
- ☒ 2. Construction schedules/project timelines;
- ☒ 3. The signature page of the contract and award letter;
- ☒ 4. Labor clauses within the awarding contract including DBRA requirements;
- ☒ 5. Designated Wage Determination(s) incorporated into project contract;
- ☒ 6. Subcontractors list;
- ☒ 7. Copy of the Subcontractors Statement and Acknowledgment (SF-1413);

TCLG strongly believes that a fee waiver is appropriate for this specific request. Disclosure of the requested information would enable the public to evaluate the wisdom and efficiency of federal programs and expenditures as well as the contractor and subcontractor's compliance with federal laws. However, if there is an assessment of fees for the processing of this request, please inform me prior to fees being incurred. Please send all requested information by email or to our office.

If you have any questions or concerns regarding any aspect of this request, please do not hesitate to contact me directly. Thank you in advance for your prompt attention and help in regards to this request.

Sincerely,

A handwritten signature in cursive script, appearing to read "Patrice Stevens", written in dark ink.

Patrice Stevens
Compliance Specialist

Attachment: Fee Waiver Justification

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